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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) An artificial CpG-containing single-stranded oligodeoxynucleotide, which is consisted of single-stranded oligonucleotide DNA molecule containing one or more CpG(s).

- 2. (Original) The oligonucleotide according to claim 1, which has a sequence as defined by SEQ ID NO: 1, SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 3, SEQ ID NO: 4 or SEQ ID NO: 5.
- 3. (Currently amended) The oligonucleotide according to claim 1 or 2, which has a function of inducing the production of antiviral substances from cell.
- 4. (Original) The oligonucleotide according to claim 3, wherein said virus is a single-stranded positive strand RNA virus or influenza virus.
- 5. (Original) The oligonucleotide according to claim 4, wherein said single-stranded positive strand RNA virus is a variant of coronavirus or flaviviridae virus.
- 6. (Original) The oligonucleotide according to claim 5, wherein said variant of coronavirus is SARS virus.
- 7. (Original) The oligonucleotide according to claim 5, wherein said flaviviridae virus is hepatitis C virus, dengue virus or Japanese encephalitis virus.
- 8. (Currently amended) The oligonucleotide according to claim 1 or 2, which has a non-sulfurized, partially sulfurized or completely sulfurized phosphodiester bond.
- 9. (Currently amended) A composition comprising the oligonucleotide according to Claim 1 any one of claims 1-8.
- 10. (Original) The composition according to claim 9, further comprising other antiviral drugs or vaccines.

## 11.-16. (Cancelled)

- 17. (New) A method for inducing the production of antiviral substances from cell comprising treating said cell with the oligonucleotide of Claim 1.
- 18. (New) A method for preventing or treating diseases caused by a virus, comprising treating a cell with the oligonucleotide of Claim 1.
- 19. (New) The method of Claim 18, wherein said virus is single-stranded positive strand RNA virus or influenza virus.

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20. (New) The method of Claim 19, wherein said single-stranded positive strand RNA virus is a variant of coronavirus or flaviviridae virus.

- 21. (New) The method of Claim 20, wherein said variant of coronavirus is SARS virus.
- 22. (New) The method of Claim 20, wherein said flaviviridae virus is hepatitis C virus, dengue virus or Japanese encephalitis virus.